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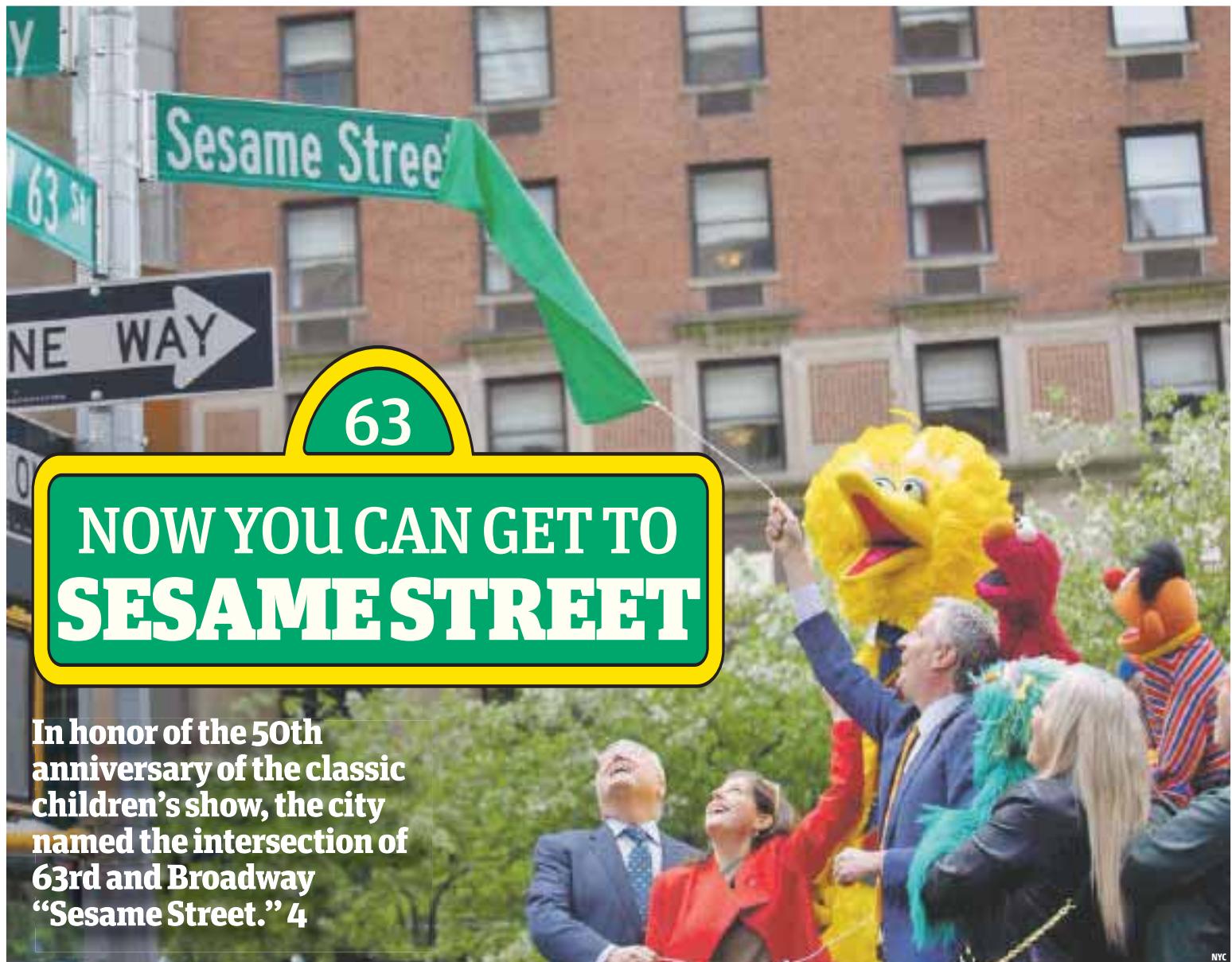


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Demonstrators chanted, "The streets are ours."

Berlin police scuffled on Wednesday with activists protesting against the gentrification of the German capital, where thousands demonstrated to highlight the city's shortage of affordable housing.

Protesters focused on the eastern district of Friedrichshain, which has followed others in becoming a target for property developments that many people complain are squeezing them out of the housing market.

Protest organizers said they stopped counting the number of demonstrators at 10,000. A total of 5,500 police officers were on duty for the day. They detained some protesters but a police spokesman could not immediately say exactly how many.

"People on low and

Berlin police scuffle with activists at gentrification protest

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middle incomes can't afford to rent a new home anymore," complained local resident Wolfgang Hardt.

Demonstrators chanted, "The streets are ours" and "anti-capitalism." Some, dressed in black

and wearing masks, lit flares from apartment balconies.

For decades after unification in 1990, Berlin became a magnet for artists, musicians and students drawn by housing that was far cheaper

than in other major European cities. Around 85

percent of Berliners rent their homes rather than

"People on low and middle incomes can't afford to rent a new home anymore."

Local resident Wolfgang Hardt

own them.

But with an influx of some 40,000 people a year in the last decade, rents have more than doubled since 2008, according to a study by online housing portal immowelt.de. The city is no longer a bargain for newcomers, and many of its longer-term residents say they are struggling.

Among the properties that have been sold off to the private sector are many of the large landmark Communist-era housing projects built as showpieces under the former East Germany. Many have been acquired in recent years by Deutsche Wohnen, the city's largest landlord with around 115,000 flats.

Last month, thousands of Berlin residents took to the streets to vent anger over surging rents and demand the expropriation of more than 200,000 apartments sold off to big private landlords, which they blame for changing the character of the city. REUTERS

Assange sentenced to 50 weeks for skipping bail

WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange was sentenced to 50 weeks in prison by a British court on Wednesday for skipping bail when he holed up in Ecuador's London embassy for seven years until police dragged him out last month. Assange sought refuge in the embassy in June 2012 to avoid an extradition order to Sweden over an allegation of rape, which he denies. His lawyer argued it was an act of

desperation to avoid being passed to the United States to face action over the release of thousands of secret U.S. diplomatic cables. Many of the documents related to wars, national security and other issues, and some were often highly critical appraisals of world leaders such as Russian President Vladimir Putin and the Saudi royal family. The United States has charged him with conspiracy and seeks his extradition. REUTERS

UK PM fires defense secretary over Huawei leak

British Prime Minister Theresa May fired her defense minister on Wednesday over a leak of discussions in the National Security Council about Chinese telecoms company Huawei, the latest of her allies to be ousted from government. The sudden dismissal of Gavin Williamson, who "strenuously" denied involvement in the leak, was another blow for May, whose own premiership hangs

by a thread after her failure so far to usher Britain smoothly out of the European Union. That secrecy was broken last month when the Telegraph newspaper reported Britain would allow Huawei a role in building parts of its 5G network, setting London at odds with Washington over the next generation of communications technology. Sources were forced to say that the role would be limited. REUTERS

Teen migrant dies in Texas hospital while in custody

A 16-year-old unaccompanied Guatemalan migrant died in a Texas hospital while in the custody of the U.S. government, officials said on Wednesday. The boy died on Tuesday after "several days of intensive care" at a children's hospital, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) said in a statement without disclosing the hospital or its location. The boy's death follows those of two other Guatemalan migrant

children in December and warnings from U.S. officials that more tragedies were likely given the surge in migrants crossing the border, and serious illnesses encountered among them. The teenager, who was not identified, was transferred on April 20 from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody to a shelter run by the Office of Refugee Resettlement, which houses migrant children, according to the statement. REUTERS



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New Yorkers can now tell you how to get to Sesame Street

A street was renamed in honor of the show's 50th anniversary.



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New Yorkers will now be able to tell folks how to get to Sesame Street thanks to Mayor Bill de Blasio and the friendly neighbors of West 63rd Street in Manhattan.

The city renamed the intersection of West 63rd Street and Broadway, home to the muppet workshop, in honor of the classic children's show, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

"Since 1969, 'Sesame Street' has been a quintessential part of New York's identity and now the city will honor the organization by renaming West 63rd Street and Broadway 'Sesame Street' on May 1," the show posted on its official Facebook page.

Big Bird, Cookie Monster, Elmo, The Count and other recognizable "Sesame Street" characters joined de Blasio and City Councilwoman Helen Rosenthal at Wednesday's unveiling. "Sesame Street" changed this country. And for everyone who has been a part of it, I hope you feel that — that what you've done has been profoundly important," de Blasio said in a statement. "You know, we focus a lot in this city on early childhood education, but long before that, 'Sesame Street' was help-

ing this entire country to know how much we can achieve if we reached out to kids in their earliest years. And 'Sesame Street' did so much to help people realize those young minds — the potential of those young minds, that they could be reached early."

The city temporarily renamed a street to honor the show's 40th anniversary, in 2009, but Wednesday's celebration was a permanent installment.

"A lot of us up here raised our kids with the help of 'Sesame Street' and it made them better, stronger, more self-confident," de Blasio said. "So, this is something to celebrate today."

"Sesame Street" reaches kids in 150 countries and 70 languages, according to its website. The show is celebrating its anniversary with events all year long, including a 10-city national road trip that will kick off on June 1 in New York City.

"This summer's road trip will demonstrate the power of media to engage and teach — something Sesame Workshop has focused on from the very beginning," said Steve Youngwood, Sesame Workshop's president of Media and Education and chief operating officer. "As we celebrate our decades of impact and look ahead to the next 50 years, 'Sesame Street's' timeless lessons remain the same: Everyone, no matter who they are or where they are from, is equally deserving of respect, opportunity and joy."



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NYC - If you suffer with knee arthritis pain, you have probably already tried *many* treatments... especially countless pain medications. With minimal or no results

Are there any better options?

Thankfully, advancements in science and technology come extremely fast. And now there are two very good options for knee arthritis *a lot of knee arthritis sufferers have never heard of*.

Before we get into the two treatments, please understand this...

NYC Pain MD is a REAL medical clinic that has treated thousands of knee arthritis sufferers. Patients travel from all over the state to be treated at one of their clinics because they want the best medical treatments available.

What you are about to discover are two REAL medical treatments. Not miracle cures you see on infomercials or on the internet.

Know this fact: There is no cure for arthritis. But there are *these* two treatments that have already helped thousands of knee arthritis sufferers - possibly just like you.

#1 Viscosupplementation

Here's what you need to know about viscosupplementation - the good and the bad....

When you have arthritis, you suffer a decrease in the lubrication fluids in your knee. In other words, your knee joints basically "dries up."

The lubricating fluid that decreases is called "synovial fluid."

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precisely inject directly into the knee joint.

This helps replace the lubricating fluid to the knee joint - allowing it to move more freely and smoothly and often decreasing or even eliminating the pain.

What Results Can Be Expected?

Like all medical treatments, the results vary and can not be predicted. But many knee arthritis sufferers get dramatic results. It is not uncommon for patients to either postpone knee replacement surgery for years... or even permanently cancel it.

But There Is A BIG Problem

The key is the treatment must be EXTREMELY PRECISE. If the procedure is slightly off, the formula will not get into the knee joint and the treatment will not work.

That's why the experts at **NYC Pain MD** use advanced digital imaging so they visually guide the injection accurately into the knee joint during the treatment.

Research shows that performing joint injections without imaging miss the joint as much as 30% of the time.

If you have had prior viscosupplementation without this special digital imaging without good results - this may be the exact reason why.

That's why NYC Pain MD even takes it one step further. They do not just use one form of advanced imaging during treatment - they use two in their "double confirmation" process. This is to ensure patients get the best possible results.

Another Important Factor

Viscosupplementation "medicines" also come in several different formulas.

Just like all medications, some people respond better to one than another. While many doctors only use one formula, the experts at NYC Pain MD use several and great effort is taken to figure out what the best one is for you.

What Should You Do If Viscosupplementation Fails?

#2 Radiofrequency Neurotomy

This treatment is called, "Radiofrequency Neurotomy." RF for short

RF is a procedure that is based on the theory that blocking the nerve supply to the painful area may alleviate pain and restore function.

Several branches of nerves that surround the knee are known as "Genicular nerves."

Radiofrequency waves are delivered to the Genicular nerves under advanced imaging to "block" the nerves.

Two procedures are performed. First, a test, diagnostic "G Block" procedure is done to determine if the procedure is going to decrease pain and improve function.

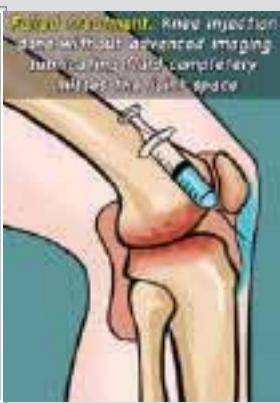
If this first "test" procedure is successful, Genicular Neurotomy (GRF) is performed for long term relief.

Is It Safe?

Research has shown this procedure to be safe and effective.

One study published November 4, 2010 in the journal *Pain* found that RF treated subjects on average "achieved at least 50% knee pain relief at 1, 4 and 12 weeks, respectively. No patient reported a post-procedure adverse event during the follow-up period. RF neurotomy of

Advanced Imaging Allows Doctors To Pin-Point Treatments And Relieve Knee Arthritis Pain



Science rescues knee arthritis sufferers? Research shows joint injections done without advanced imaging misses the joint about 30% of the time. Now doctors can put lubricating fluid directly into the arthritis joint that may alleviate pain and restore function to many.

What To Do Next If You Are In Pain

NYC Pain MD offers a limited number of complimentary knee arthritis screenings every month.

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UNC Charlotte identifies victims in deadly shooting

Trystan Andrew Terrell was charged with two counts of murder and four of attempted murder.

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte on Wednesday revealed the identities of the two people killed and four injured in a shooting that prompted an all-night lockdown lifted slightly before dawn.

The students killed in the Tuesday shooting were Ellis Parlier, 19, and Riley Howell, 21, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department said in a statement and university Chancellor Philip Dubois told WBT radio on Tuesday.

The wounded students were Drew Pescaro, 19; Sean DeHart, 20; Emily Houpt, 23; and Rami Alramdhan, 20. Dubois said all four were expected to recover, with one already released from the hospital.

Police in Charlotte charged UNC Charlotte student Trystan Andrew Terrell, 22, with two counts of murder and four of attempted murder. He is due to make an initial court appearance on Thursday, jail records showed.

They offered no explanation for the suspect's motive.

Students on the campus spent a harrowing night as police searched door-to-door for any other suspects, not giving people

the all-clear to move around until almost dawn on Wednesday.

"This is the saddest day in UNC Charlotte's history," the school's chancellor, Phil Dubois, said in a letter to the community posted on the school's website.

The shooting started in a classroom at about 5:40 p.m. on Tuesday, police said. Tristan Field, a student who witnessed the shooting, told CBS News as many as 50 students tried to escape through two doors.

"A chair fell in front of the door, so people were tripping over that, like, trying to climb over it," he said. "Some people fell down. It was like water through a funnel but wasn't fast enough."



Trystan Andrew Terrell in a booking photo released by the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office. REUTERS

The gunman was disarmed by two or three campus police officers responding to an emergency call, campus Police Chief Jeff Baker said.

A vigil was planned at the school for Wednesday, CBS News reported.

Sandy D'Elousa, a spokeswoman for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, which

is leading the investigation, said the gunman was believed to have acted alone.

North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper called the incident a tragedy.

"But I know the people in this community, and they will be here for each other," he said at a news conference.

According to its web-

site, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte has more than 26,500 students.

The deadliest mass shooting on a U.S. college campus took place at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Virginia, in April 2007, when a student killed 32 people and then himself.

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Thousands begin protest against Venezuela's Maduro; US and Russia at odds

Thousands of marchers began street protests on Wednesday to try to force leftist Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro from power as tension grew between Russia and the United States over the political standoff in the OPEC-member nation.

Opposition leader Juan Guaidó faced a test of support after calling for the "largest march" in Venezuela's history against Maduro, even as the military has so far resisted calls to help remove him.

"If the regime thought we had reached maximum pressure, they cannot even imagine," Guaidó told thousands of cheering supporters

in eastern Caracas. "We have to remain in the streets."

Supporters banged drums and chanted, "What do I want? Freedom!" Guaidó — who heads the opposition-run National Assembly — is recognized as Venezuela's legitimate president by the United States, Europe and others.

He said he would consider a proposal from public workers to call for a series of work stoppages leading up to an eventual general strike to pressure Maduro, in power since taking over from his mentor, late President Hugo Chavez, in 2013.

The Venezuelan opposition has often staged

huge street protests against Maduro but has failed to dislodge him despite deep economic recession and hyperinflation.

The United States and Russia are at odds over Venezuela, with Washington telling Moscow on Wednesday to keep out of "our hemisphere," and the Kremlin warning the Trump administration against any "aggressive" moves against its ally Maduro.

Venezuela's armed forces have so far stood by Maduro, who retains the support of allies like Russia, China and Cuba.

That has frustrated Guaidó's bid to assume the day-to-day functions of government on an in-



"What do I want? Freedom!" chanted protesters in Venezuela.

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terim basis — which he says would be a prelude to calling new elections.

U.S.-RUSSIA FRICTION

Maduro, a socialist, calls Guaidó a puppet of the United States who is seeking to orchestrate a coup against him.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov told U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo by phone on Wednesday that further "aggressive steps" in Venezuela would be fraught with the gravest consequences, Russia's Foreign Ministry said.

Lavrov also condemned U.S. "interference" in Venezuela's internal affairs as a breach of international law, adding that dialogue between all political forces is required in Venezuela.

In turn, the United States has also accused Moscow of interfering in the South American country, an ally of Russia since the time of Chavez.

Pompeo said on Tuesday that Maduro had recently been prepared to leave Venezuela but changed his plan after Russia intervened. A

spokeswoman for Russia's Foreign Ministry denied that.

White House national security adviser John Bolton, a Trump administration hawk on Venezuela, said Moscow's interference was not welcome.

"This is our hemisphere," he told reporters outside the White House. "It's not where the Russians ought to be interfering. This is a mistake on their part. It's not going to lead to an improvement of relations." REUTERS

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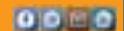
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Defying Congress, Attorney General Barr to skip Thursday Mueller hearing

The AG canceled Thursday's plans to testify before the House.

Defying the U.S. Congress, Attorney General William Barr will not attend a House Judiciary Committee hearing on Thursday on his handling of Special Counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation report, said panel Chairman Jerrold Nadler, accusing Barr of being afraid to testify.

"Barr has just informed us that he will not attend tomorrow's hearing," Nadler, a Democrat, told reporters on Capitol Hill on Wednesday after a contentious Senate hearing earlier in the day where Barr defended his treatment of the report.

Nadler also said the Justice Department had not complied with his subpoena for Mueller's full re-



U.S. Attorney General William Barr.

ing.

"He is terrified of having to face a skilled attorney," the chairman said of Barr. "Given how dishonest he has been ... I can understand why he's afraid of facing more effective examination."

The House Judiciary chairman also said he would consider a contempt citation against the attorney general in the next day or two, if the Justice Department continued to defy the subpoena for the unredacted report.

Nadler issued the subpoena on April 19, a day after Barr released a redacted version of the report, which also looked at whether President Donald Trump attempted to obstruct investigations after the 2016 election.

The Mueller report details a series of acts by Trump to impede the Russia probe but does not conclude whether

those actions constitute the crime of obstruction. It found, however, that Trump and his campaign did not engage in a criminal conspiracy with Moscow.

Democrats contend that Barr misrepresented the contents of the Mueller report in a March 24 summary and during a subsequent news conference. They also allege that he may have provided misleading testimony to Congress about criticism he received from Mueller.

Some Democrats including Sen. Mazie Hirono said on Wednesday that Barr should resign. Asked if he agreed, Nadler told reporters: "He's going to have to answer for apparently testifying untruthfully in both the Senate and the House, and that's certainly one option."

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port on Russian meddling in the 2016 election and underlying evidence from the probe.

Committee Democrats vowed to issue a subpoena to force Barr to testify, while Nadler held out hope that the attorney general would reconsider and show up when the hearing convenes at 9 a.m. on Thursday.

"We plan on subpoenaing him if he decides not to show up. He can run

but he can't hide," Democratic Rep. Hakeem Jeffries told reporters.

A Justice Department spokeswoman said in a statement that the panel had placed "unprecedented and unnecessary" conditions on Barr's testimony and called the questions posed by committee staff inappropriate. "The attorney general remains happy to engage directly with members," the statement said.

Barr's decision not to testify surfaced hours after the committee adopted a more aggressive format that would subject the attorney general to an extra hour of questions from committee lawyers, in addition to questions from Democratic and Republican lawmakers on the panel.

Nadler insisted that it was not the administration's place to determine the format for the hear-

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Like those inkblot tests that ask if you see a woman mowing the lawn or two bats stealing a coffee table, the Senate hearing with U.S. Attorney General William Barr was all in the eyes of beholder. For many Republicans, it was a shameful sideshow of critics ripping the White House and smearing President Trump with unfair innuendo. For Democrats, it

was a bad circus with Barr in the center ring spinning misleading tales, shaky recollections and blind loyalty to the President — all while professing unimpeachable objectivity.

Let's look at the Republican equation first, because it's pretty straightforward. Despite nearly two years of work, Robert Mueller's team found no legal proof of a conspiracy between Team Trump and the Russians. And without an underlying crime, they say, Barr was right to dismiss the related accusation of obstructing justice. So Republicans spent the day raging about what they think the investigation should have focused on: Hillary Clinton, Democratic opposition research, alleged "spying" on Trump's campaign, and leaks to journalists.

On the Democratic side, however, lawmakers repeatedly brought up the fact that the investigation found Trump insiders met with Russians, cor-

responded with Russians, and lied scores of times about those matters (and others) to authorities, Congress, and the public. The Dems pounded on Barr over his glossing over of the contents of the Mueller report and suggesting it had found none of that. They scorned him for previously failing to reveal that Mueller himself was unsatisfied with how Barr was publicly presenting the findings — although Barr denied it. There was plenty of back-and-forth and sharp comments. Plenty of arched eyebrows and accusations between the opposing sides. But in the end, the Democrats had essentially boiled the day down to a single question: Just because a president has not technically broken a law, do you think he's absolved of all wrongdoing?

And for Barr and the Republicans, the answer seemed equally clear and concise: Yes, that's precisely what we think.

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One of my biggest pet peeves is when you are trying to tell someone about an annoying thing that happened to you and rather than level with you, the person gives you the whole "See, what I would have done..." story. Give me a break and just listen! I'm not in the mood to be lectured.

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Q&A

CHRISTIAN ADEL & JULIE KRONSTRÖM
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Why did you decide to create this bike?

Julie Kronström (JK): Electric-powered

micro-mobility is an extremely interesting space, which can help solve climate issues. Coming from Copenhagen, both my brother and I have been bicycling ever since our childhood. Copenhagen is considered the bicycling capital of the world, so it seemed natural to launch an e-bike rather than an electric skateboard or an e-scooter when we decided to explore this space. A bicycle is much more applicable for a daily commuter compared to scooters and skateboards.

What's the secret of MATE?

Christian Adel Michael (CA): We produce fun and unique, high-quality e-bikes which are cool, sexy, practical and affordable – that's the secret sauce.

What advantages does it have over an ordinary bicycle?

CA: You can use an e-bike for long distances without showing up to work in a sweaty shirt.

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Tell us more about its computer display.

CA: MATE X comes standard with a black-and-white display showing cruising speed, average speed, battery capacity as well as stats for past trips, etc. It is also possible to upgrade to a larger color display which also allows you to activate a special mode unlocking the true potential of your bike on either a track or on private property, reaching speeds of up to 52 km/h (32.3 mph) on a MATE X 750W.

Is it a smart cycle?

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4 Questions with Matt Richards, the new host of HQ Trivia



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Over the past couple of years, the wildly popular trivia-wherever-you-may-be app HQ Trivia has helped know-it-alls from all over the world band together in order to win cash for their breadth of knowledge. The show has had a number of guest hosts throughout the years, but no host truly put a face to the app quite like comedian Scott Rogowsky, who had manned the ship since August 2017.

Last month, Rogowsky announced that he would be parting ways with the show in order to co-host a brand-new baseball show on the sports streaming platform DAZN titled "ChangeUp." As they say, the show must go on, and in his absence HQ announced that comedian Matt Richards would be stepping up to fill Rogo's shoes as the main host of the game. As a frequent fill-in host of the show, Richards is no stranger to how things work. We caught up with Richards to talk about the brand-new gig and some of the useful



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and useless information he learns on the job.

How does it feel to step into the role as the host

of HQ?
It feels incredible, I'm not going to lie. I'm waking [up] excited to come to work that

doesn't feel like work!
It must feel insane addressing such a large group of people play-

ing the game every night?
I'm literally standing in front of the camera watching the number

go up, trying not to bite my nails, trying not to freak out. It's like being in a plane that's taking off in weather

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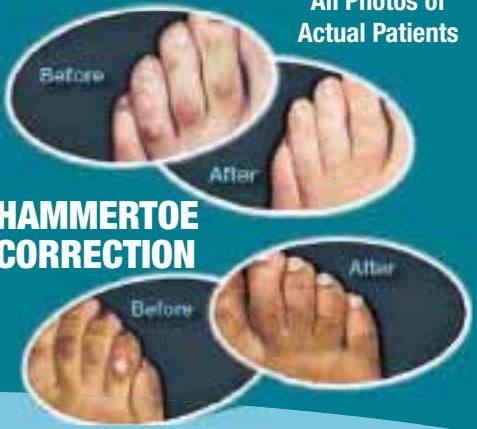
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that you don't know about. I'll buckle my seat belt, but it won't matter if I do or not!

A big part of the job is interacting with the community as the game goes on. In some of your past appearances as guest host, you've done a great job interacting with players live on-air. Is that something you want to build on as the new master of ceremonies?

It's a live game and sometimes I feel like people have a tendency to forget that. I'm trying to be [as] in the moment as possible and I don't think there is

anything more in the moment than asking people what they're doing. Where are y'all at? If you sippin' on something, what you sippin' on? Get in the chat!

Did you have any experience hosting trivia in bars before working for HQ?

I used to host karaoke in Times Square. This was years ago. It was awful. It was at a dueling pianos kind of venue. Sometimes we would have celebrities come in, and that was cool. It was always packed on the weekends. Stand-up is how I got started with all of this.

"It feels incredible, I'm not going to lie. I'm waking [up] excited to come to work that doesn't feel like work!"

Matt Richards,
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mini-fridge stocked with water, soft drinks and local beer; a king size, four-poster bed; comfortable robes and slippers; nightly

turndown service; concierge services; and a bar personalized with guests' choice of premium liquor or wine.

While the resort hosts nine different amazing restaurants, for a romantic dinner it doesn't get much better than the "Perfect Night Dinner" for two. Couples will dine under the stars at a private table decorated with flowers and candles, with a white-gloved waitstaff serving your marvelous honeymoon feast. Adults-only options also include the Harmony Breakfast, dinner at the Veranda restaurant, as well as refreshments and cocktails at the Harmony Bar, one

of seven bars.

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Grand Central is offering some spring specials at its shops and restaurants this May.

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From Cinco de Mayo to Mother's Day and Memorial Day, New York City's Grand Central Terminal will have plenty of options for New Yorkers and tourists looking to make some new memories this spring. Here are five specials happening at NYC's Grand Central Terminal in May 2019.

1. May 3-5: Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Grand Central

Grand Central Terminal shops and restaurants will celebrate Cinco de Mayo during the first week of May with margarita specials and other Mexican fare. The Bar at Great Northern Food Hall will have special Dulce

Vida margaritas and a four-beer bucket of Bronx Brewery Que Milagro Mexican-style lager (available May 4 and May 5).

La Chula will be serving special Taco de Carnitas, made with braised pork, for \$4.25 from May 3 to May 5. And Central Cellars is celebrating with Don Julio Claro Añejo 70th Anniversary tequila for \$74.94, available for taking shots or mixing margaritas.

2. May 24-27: Mark Memorial Day at Grand Central

Joe Coffee will offer a buy one, get one half off deal on its specialty instant coffee priced from \$18 to \$22 from May 24 to May 27. The Bar at Great Northern Food Hall will be celebrating on May 27 with special pricing on Salute Vodka mixed drinks and cocktails. A portion of the sales will directly



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support initiatives making a positive impact on the veteran community. Tia's Place will be selling Memorial Day limited items such as its one-shoulder kaftan for \$110, off-shoulder tribal dress for \$24, and adjustable cocoon maxi dress for \$62.

3. Month of May: Mother's Day at Grand Central

Some Mother's Day festivities will be offered at Grand Central Terminal throughout the entire month of May. Visitors can toast to mom at The Bar at Great Northern Food Hall on May 11 and May 12 with a cocktail from the new spring menu or pick up a Strawberry Lemongrass Tart at Bien Cuit for something sweet. Central Cellars will also

be offering a Berne Inspiration Provence Rose for \$32.94. Shoppers can grab a variety of gifts for mom at Diptyque, InnaSense and Central Watch, or choose from a variety of Mother's Day gift sets starting at \$25 at Rituals. Tia's Place is also offering its "Tired Mom" tote for \$25 and other various jewelry pieces.

4. Grand Central guided tours

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Postseason appearance set to help Nets in free agency.

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While most of the buzz around the upcoming NBA offseason is revolving around the Knicks, the other team in New York is looking to make waves.

Anthony Puccio of SNY reported on Tuesday that Kevin Durant, Kawhi Leonard and Tobias Harris "will at least consider" signing with the Brooklyn Nets this summer in free agency.

The Nets have quickly developed from NBA doormat to playoff side this year. They earned their first trip to the postseason in four years behind the emergence

Nets set to go after Durant, Kawhi, more in free agency

of All-Star point guard D'Angelo Russell.

BET NOW It's suddenly made Brooklyn an appealing spot to land for free agents, especially with the Nets having some connections to these marquee free agents.

"Making the playoffs definitely helped their chances," a source told Puccio.

Golden State's Durant trained with the young Nets forward Caris LeVert in 2017, developing a close friendship throughout the process. The two initially met when Durant had a broken foot repaired by Dr. Martin O'Malley, the Nets' foot and ankle specialist.

Another one of Durant's friends, former personal trainer and shooting coach Adam Harrington, is the Nets'



The Nets could make a run at Kevin Durant this summer. GETTY IMAGES

director of player development and an assistant coach.

Durant also received a tour of Brooklyn from Russell for his show,

"Fly By."

As for Leonard, he spent three years working alongside Nets general manager Sean Marks when he was an

assistant for the San Antonio Spurs. Marks has a good relationship with Leonard's uncle, who played a large role in the trade that sent the

All-Star to the Toronto Raptors.

"The process we went through this year — and there's a lot of positives that have come out of this year — can only help," Marks told Puccio. "It's going to attract free agents. People are going to want to play here. They're going to want to play for [head coach] Kenny [Atkinson], they're going to want to play in Brooklyn, they're going to play for this ownership group. We have a lot of things going for us."

As it stands, the Nets have space for one max-salary contract this summer when free agency begins on July 1. It could become two, though, if the Nets trade Allen Crabbe and decide to renounce Russell, who has a qualifying offer that provides a \$21 million cap hit.

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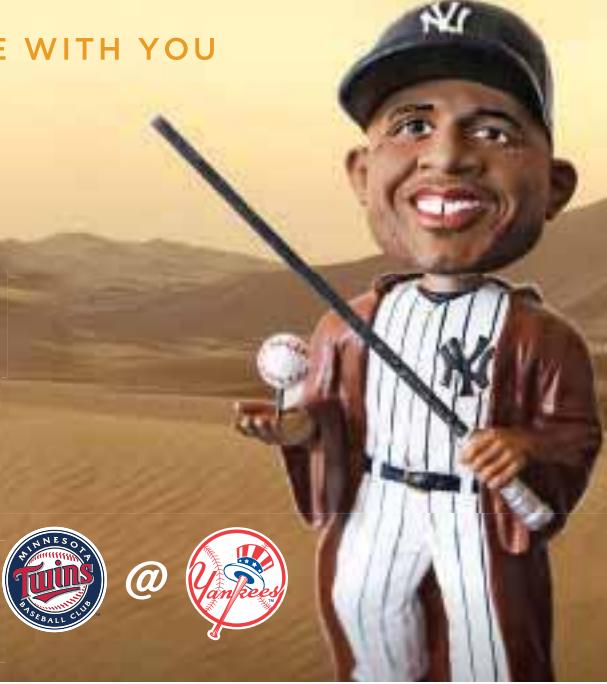
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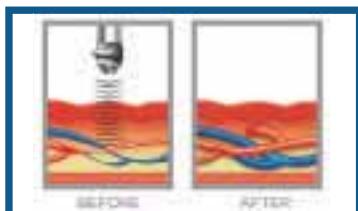


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Rangers prospect heads to NHL

Top Rangers prospect Vitali Kravtsov leaving Russia to join Blueshirts.



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Just one day after trading for the talented, young defenseman Adam Fox, the New York Rangers received another bit of good news on Wednesday morning.

The Kontinental Hockey League, Russia's professional league, announced that Rangers prospect and 19-year-old winger Vitali Kravtsov is making his way to the NHL next season.

It was only a matter of time before the move was made official when Kravtsov posted an emotional goodbye on his Instagram to thank his KHL club, Chelyabinsk Traktor.

Kravtsov was selected ninth overall by the Rangers at the 2018 NHL Draft but had to return to Rus-



Vitali Kravtsov GETTY IMAGES

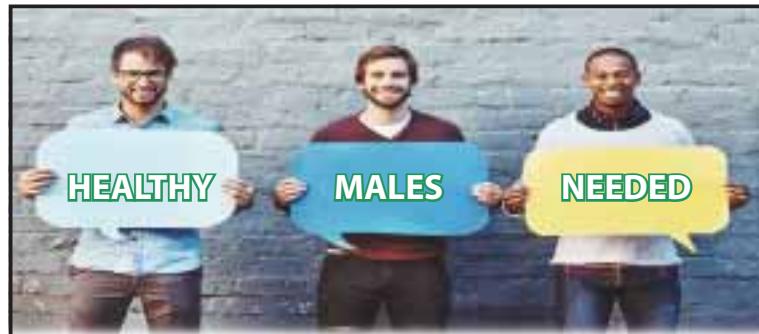
sia to see out the remainder of his contract, which expired on Tuesday.

The young winger posted eight goals and 13 assists in 50 games with Chelyabinsk this season. He also had a strong showing at the World Junior U-20 Championships, posting six points in seven games with the Russian National Team.

Kravtsov is considered to be one of the top prospects in hockey right now. ESPN ranked him No. 11 in their top 50 just last month.

At 6-foot-4, 183 pounds, this is a forward with plenty of size who possesses an ability to produce while playing any style. He has the finesse to produce like a top-six forward with the grit and physicality that will make it difficult to take the puck away.

With the addition of Fox on Tuesday, the Rangers now have four of the NHL's top-50 prospects, per ESPN, in Kravtsov, Fox, goalie Igor Shestyorkin, and defenseman K'Andre Miller.



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Regardless of who returns from injury, the New York Mets must continue playing Jeff McNeil every day.

The 26-year-old, nicknamed "Squirrel," is showing that his rookie season in which he slashed .329/.381/.471 wasn't just a flash in the pan.

McNeil has gotten off to a scorching start, finishing the month of April with a .370 batting average and a .957 OPS in 28 games.

He's been one of the most consistent hitters in baseball this year, already racking up 13 multi-hit games this season. Only Cody Bellinger of the Los Angeles Dodgers has more multi-hit games this year.

"He looked like Ted Williams out there," Mets first-base phenom Pete Alonso said.

A four-hit effort on Tuesday night against the Cincinnati Reds was already the fifth of his career in 91 career games, including a drag bunt in the third inning that



Jeff McNeil batted .370 through the first month of the 2019 MLB season. GETTY IMAGES

plated the Mets' first run of the day against the impressive Luis Castillo.

"He came in and said, 'That's Dirtbag baseball,'" Mets manager Mickey Callaway said, per the New York Post, referring to McNeil's former college, the Long Beach State Dirtbags.

That's a term that will likely become quite a fad among Mets fans this year.

"That was probably the definition of it right there," McNeil continued. "That's how I was taught to play the game and that's how I'm always going to play the game."

McNeil is as close to a

throwback hitter as you can find in Major League Baseball. He's a patient hitter who doesn't put a premium on power.

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Not bad for a guy that wasn't ensured consistent playing time at the start of spring training.

The Mets brought in Robinson Cano and Jed Lowrie to create a logjam around the infield. Injuries to Lowrie and Todd Frazier ensured that Mc-

Neil hit the ground running in April and should not take a backseat to anyone once the roster gets fully healthy.

If Callaway wants to platoon Lowrie (once he returns) and Frazier, McNeil should be rewarded with a starting corner-outfield role. McNeil has started made 19 appearances in left field this season.

The Mets have gotten little production out of Juan Lagares and Keon Broxton, which should prompt either Michael Conforto or Nimmo to move to center field.

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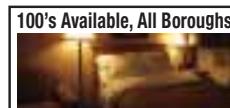
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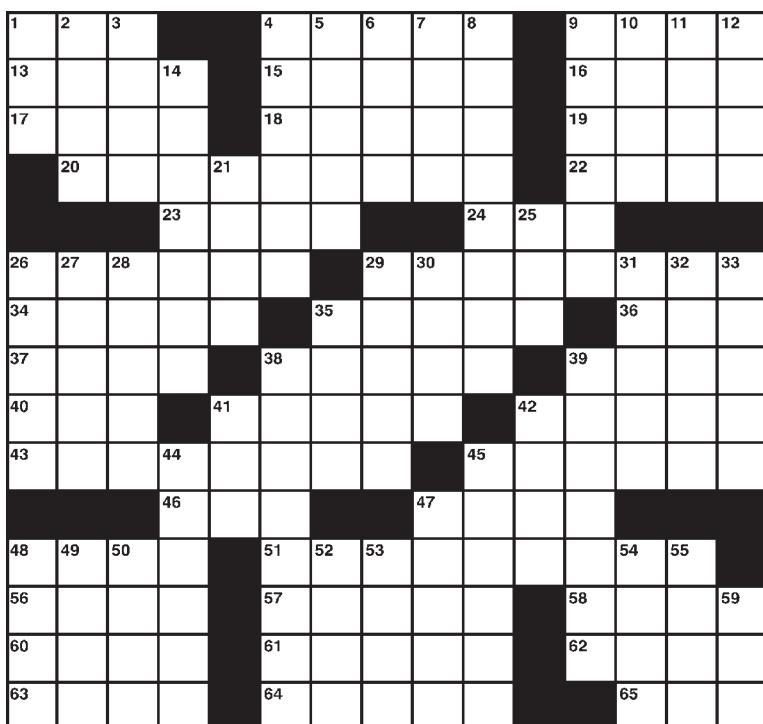
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28 Revolving part in a motor
29 Paddled boat
30 Baker's need
31 Sleazebag
32 Bisect
33 Concluded
35 Small brook
38 __ retriever; friendly dog
39 Most frail
41 Use a straw
42 Potpie ingredients
44 __ cats and dogs; poured
45 Lines of travel
47 Soothing lotion
48 Small flute
49 Like overcast skies
50 Residence
52 Lunch spot
53 Tack



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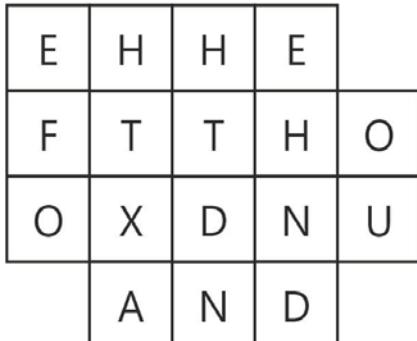


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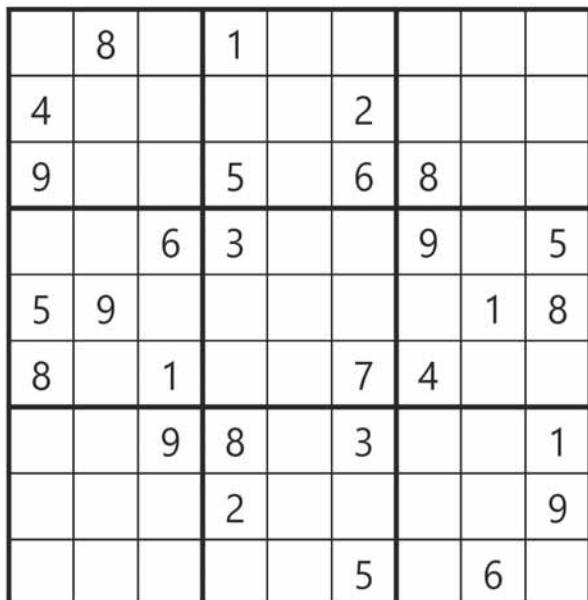
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